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Girl hit by TTC bus in North York

ACCIDENT An 11-year-old girl was rushed to hospital with life-threatening injuries yesterday morning after she was struck by a TTC bus in North York.

Police say the girl was attempting to cross from the west side of Bathurst Street to the east, near Danby Avenue, around 11 a.m. when the collision occurred.

She was waiting in the protected pedestrian barricade in the middle of the road, but stepped into traffic just as a northbound bus changed into the lane nearest to her, said Const. Hugh Smith.

Investigators are not looking to press charges at this time, he added.

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Teen pop sensation Justin Bieber performs with Drake last night at the Juno Awards in St. John's, N.L. Drake won a pair of awards last night, new artist of the year and rap recording of the year. More coverage, page 32.

Waiting game

Canadians remain stranded due to volcanic ash

Air Canada cancelled its European flights yesterday as Canadian travellers stranded by the fallout of a volcanic eruption in Iceland resigned themselves to what will likely be several more days of waiting.

As ash from the volcano spread across Europe, Air Canada cancelled flights to and from London, Paris, Frankfurt, Munich, Zurich, Geneva, Rome and Tel Aviv. "Air Canada is closely monitoring the situation and is doing everything possible to accommodate affected customers to get them on their way safely, and as quickly as possible," the carrier said. "It is expected that it may take sev-

More than one route home

Some travellers, like a trio of businessmen from Peterborough, managed to get home from India by flying east instead of west. They flew to Bangkok and Tokyo, before

heading to Toronto, where they arrived Saturday afternoon. "We basically went the other way around the world," said Gord Buchholz of Quickmill.

"The groom's parents also missed the wedding because they were stranded in Norway."

Dulos, 33, said she had been unable to reach British Airways to arrange her return flight, but her travel agent said the earliest she could likely leave is Saturday. "We have been very fortunate in that we are in a beautiful city, with warm

weather and have been able to extend the stay at the apartment we rented for no additional cost as of yet," Dulos said.

"We have decided to make the best of it, enjoy Nice, practise our French and visit a few extra museums and nearby cities we were unable to get to last week."

Andrea Gillis, 24, also from Toronto, and a friend were stranded in Dublin yesterday, instead of catching a flight from London back home. "As of now we can't fly out until Friday from Dublin," Gillis said.

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Bloody brawl in Brampton

DISPUTE Five people are in hospital after two opposing groups clashed inside a Brampton Sikh temple yesterday afternoon.

The fight broke out at the Guru Nanak Sikh Centre at Glidden Road, near Highway 410 and Steeles Avenue, when one group tried to break up the other group's meeting. It started as a fist fight but witnesses say soon hammers, machetes and construction

knives

were brandished as a group of about 100 people clashed at about 3:45 p.m.

The fight spilled outside as Peel Regional Police scrambled to take control, witnesses said. "It was quite chaotic," said Jagdish Grewal, editor of Punjabi Post, a newspaper published in Brampton.

He said he arrived minutes after the fight broke out and saw two men lying outside with a bloodied hammer between them. Inside the hall, Grewal said knives and machetes were still lying on the floor along with blood-soaked clothes.

"There was blood, too, on the tiles," Grewal said. "It's an ongoing dispute among the board members," said Const. George Tudos of Peel Regional Police. "There was indication that there might be some trouble here."

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Nurses could admit, discharge

Nurse practitioners could soon be allowed to admit and discharge inpatients in order to ease the flow of traffic at the province's hospitals, Premier Dalton McGuinty said Friday. The Registered Nurses' Association has been pushing for the move, saying the fact that only doctors can discharge hospitalized patients is clogging up the system.

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Abuses 'exceptions': Collins

Sexual-abuse scandals rocking the Roman Catholic church are "dramatic exceptions" to the good work done by most priests, the archbishop of Canada's largest archdiocese said yesterday.

In a pastoral message delivered to churchgoers across the archdiocese, Thomas Collins said the clergy should not be discouraged by the seemingly endless stream of victims.

"These scandals are dramatic exceptions to the fundamental reality of priestly goodness, for almost all priests serve faithfully," Collins said.

"But just one priest gone wrong causes great suffering, and as we hear of evil done by some clergy in our own communities and around the world, we are all filled with dismay."



Archbishop Thomas Collins

The pastoral message was given to priests to deliver as the homily at Sunday mass in all 225 parishes of the Toronto archdiocese, which is home to 1.9 million Catholics.

Mary Lozowsky, of Brampton said she was encouraged by what she heard, particularly Collins's admission the church had "failed."

He didn't try to blame the victims, she said.

"There was no counter-attack in this — it was not a defensive response," Lozowsky said. "I thought it was honest."

Among allegations that have emerged in recent weeks was that the diocese of Pembroke in eastern Ontario conspired with the Vatican to cover up sexual-abuse accusations.

In that case, a letter from the bishop of the diocese written in 1993 indicated a church official — later jailed in Ontario — was promoted to a top Vatican post despite knowing about several complaints about his conduct.

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Churchgoers leave St. Michael's Cathedral after hearing a message from Archbishop Thomas Collins addressing sexual abuse yesterday morning.

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Feds, province give GO Transit \$16.6M to add bridge tracks

FUNDS GO Transit is getting \$16.6 million in federal and provincial money to put toward widening bridges in Toronto.

The announcement Friday was made by federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty and Ontario Transportation Minister Kathleen Wynne.

The ministers say the bridge widening will allow for a fourth track on the Georgetown South corridor, which will hopefully help ease commuter congestion.

The \$8.3 million in federal money is part of the government's economic stimulus plan.

Wynne said most GO passengers own or have access to a car, but still choose public transit.

"GO trains in the Georgetown South corridor are already operating at capacity," she said.

"That's why we need to move forward with this expansion right now."

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Riders rail against driver behaviour at TTC town hall

TRANSIT Their numbers were similar to last week's transit workers union town hall designed to foster better relations between frontline TTC workers and riders.

But yesterday's crowd of about 200 TTC riders at a Scarborough high school were more vocal and more confrontational.

Although there were some questions about how the transit system works — or doesn't work — riders

53%

The percentage of riders at the meeting who said they have seen cases of unsatisfactory customer service by transit workers that was avoidable in the last two or three years on the TTC.

ers were focused this week on the behaviour of transit workers rather than individual bus routes or personal issues with the TTC.

Those who attended the second in the series of union-organized meetings at Stephen Leacock Collegiate Institute wanted to know why some drivers and collectors behave rudely, take breaks while passengers sit on the bus and apply some of the rules inconsistently, and why the system is so dirty.

Several objected to the format of the meeting.

"Throughout this meeting your answers have

been taking over our questions," said Ryan Endoh, who came with a prepared statement complaining about the "profane language" and "gross indifference" he had experienced on the system.

Questions and comments from the audience were confined to a minute, while panelists and TTC union head Bob Kinnear were taking four minutes to respond, he said.

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Finance Minister Jim Flaherty and Transportation Minister Kathleen Wynne announce \$16.6 million in funding for GO Transit.

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City threatens to pull Pride funding

Controversial group's inclusion in parade raises ire

City bureaucrats may withdraw funding from Pride Toronto next year if the activist group **Queers Against Israeli Apartheid** is allowed to march in this summer's Pride parade.

The city, which gave Pride \$121,000 in 2009, believes its anti-discrimination policy was likely violated by QuAIA's conduct and its very presence at last summer's parade, said general manager of economic development and culture Mike Williams.

If Pride were to permit another violation, Williams said, there could be "very serious" repercussions.

"We have the right to disqualify them from future grants, so we certainly would look at that," he said.

Characterizing his message as a "strong warning," he said, "Every circumstance is different, so I'm loath to tell somebody flat out, 'If this happens you won't get your money next year.' But it sure would become a very strong

"Whether there was a funding issue attached to it or not, we would not want to be in contravention of an anti-discrimination policy. That would be crazy."

Tracey Sandilands, Pride executive director

possibility."

Pride executive director Tracey Sandilands did not respond to messages requesting comment on Williams' statements.

In an interview hours earlier, Sandilands said Pride had not yet determined whether QuAIA would be permitted to participate this year.

"We have no legal grounds to ban the word apartheid," she said.

"While I understand that there are a lot of people who don't like the wording, there's got to be more than just the name of the organization." But, she said, "The city has now pointed out to us that in terms of the anti-discrimination policy, the fact that

those words make certain participants feel uncomfortable means that we were in contravention of the policy ... Whether there was a funding issue attached to it or not, we would not want to be in contravention of an anti-discrimination policy. That would be crazy."

Asked how Pride could both avoid banning QuAIA and satisfy the policy, given that even its name makes some uncomfortable, she said: "It's a good question, and it's not one I'm sure we have an answer for as yet."

Pride is eligible for about \$124,000 in funding for this year's festivities. Williams said it is likely Pride will receive that amount. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Collapse forces closures near Gould Street

BUSINESS Several downtown businesses may have to wait weeks to reopen after the collapse of a Gould Street building façade on Friday.

By yesterday afternoon, a small construction crew was doing desultory work around the site. A half-dozen businesses fenced off inside the working area were darkened and shuttered.

According to a City press release, workers renovating a ground-level doorway may have removed a supporting lintel, causing the spectacular cascade.

No one was injured, though police brought in cadaver sniffing dogs to search the pile.

City officials said the businesses in the affected building will be closed indefinitely, including newly-opened Tatami Sushi, Ryson Printing & Souvenir, clothier Urban Be-



Construction workers clean up the scene at the corner of Gould and Yonge where a building's wall collapsed on Friday.

havior, Rock Zone, student-favourite Salad King, and Wanda's Belgian Waffles Cafe.

"Right now, our primary focus is to stabilize the building and make the area safe," said the city's chief building official, Ann Borooah.

Everything has to be rebuilt before the affected

businesses can attempt to reopen, Borooah said.

"It would be a long process."

Demolition crews have already torn down a portion of the third floor, but early inspections of the building's interior show the second floor might be salvageable, Borooah said.

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News in brief

GOING PUBLIC Porter Aviation Holdings Inc. isn't saying just yet how much it hopes to raise in a planned initial public offering, but one analyst figures the IPO could fetch as much as \$80 million or more for the Toronto-based regional airline. Analyst Robert Kokonis

of travel consultancy Air Trav Inc. said considering Porter's stellar reputation, that figure is not out of the question. He said the offering will generate a lot of excitement among investors because Porter offers a unique business model that focuses on customer service. The

airline, which operates out of Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport on an island just off Toronto's waterfront, said it would use proceeds from the IPO to build working capital, including the possible acquisition of more aircraft.

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A fourth arrest has been made in the slaying of an inmate at the Don Jail earlier this year. Toronto resident Christopher Fearon, 26, was charged with second-degree murder. Said Mohamed, 22, Nathaniel Grant, 25, and 20-year-old Nixon Nirmalendran are also facing second-degree murder charges. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Victim missing as police search bloody highrise

DOWNTOWN Police are scouring the city for a woman they say is the victim of a violent crime. Staff Sgt. Jim Gibson said police are trying to locate 25-year-old Veronica Cain, who could be bleeding from cuts on her face and neck.

"We are worried for her safety," Gibson said. "We have information that she was significantly injured in an altercation much earlier this morning."

Gibson said police were called to a highrise apartment building at 191 Sherbourne St., near Shuter Street, for an unknown trouble call on the weekend. When the officers arrived, they found "a significant amount of blood." "It's not contained to a specific apartment," Gibson said. "It's all over the building."

Cain is described as black, five-foot-four, around 130 pounds, with collar length black hair. Anyone with information is asked to contact police at 416-808-5100 or Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477).

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Yonge-Dundas Smooth samplin'



Vladimir Zhelada of Toronto gives himself a shave in the middle of Yonge-Dundas Square yesterday afternoon. Hundreds of men tried out the new Gillette Fusion ProGlide razors during the week-long promotional event.

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Board delays decision on closing of school

Staff to 'stop and listen' to Jane-Finch concerns

The Jane-Finch community, home to some of the city's most needy children, has landed a temporary reprieve from having to close a school.

The Toronto District School Board has quietly removed a June deadline from the neighbourhood for recommending which of five local grade schools, if any, should shut down, after the community claimed the board had not listened to its concerns.

Board staff will instead discuss options with the

Under review

- The five Jane-Finch schools under review are Shoreham Public School (51 per cent full), Gosford Public School (68 per cent full), Driftwood Public School (85 per cent full), Brookview Middle School (bursting at the seams at 110 per cent of official capacity) and Blacksmith Public School (88 per cent full).

community, possibly into next fall, making a closing unlikely in September 2011, when schools in up to

eight other neighbourhoods are expected to close.

"Listen ... if this community feels we haven't been listening, we're going to stop and listen," said director of education Chris Spence, who said he has not set a new deadline for recommendations.

Jane-Finch trustee Stephanie Payne said her neighbourhood has "a high scale of poverty and we don't have pockets of privilege mixed in ... So hopefully having more time will help us come up with some solution."

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Lifeguards' employer charged

WAGES The provincial labour ministry has charged a twice-bankrupt Acton businessman for failing to pay more than \$60,000 in unpaid wages to student lifeguards. Peter Check, 62, was charged Thursday un-

der the Employment Standards Act with six counts of failing to comply with orders to pay 68 former teenaged members a total of \$63,527.91 in unpaid wages from 2007 and 2008. Last June, a Toronto Star

investigation found Check had allegedly been withholding wages to students for years. At the time, the ministry had issued a series of orders to pay students, but never laid charges.

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A long-awaited trial of a former Nova Scotia businessman accused of sex crimes that date back decades begins today. Ernest Fenwick MacIntosh was accused by the RCMP in 1995 of engaging in sex acts with six boys between 1970 and 1977 in a number of communities in eastern Nova Scotia and Cape Breton. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Men don heels for anti-violence walk

More than 100 men donned high-heeled shoes in downtown Sudbury, Ont., yesterday. The inaugural Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event aimed to raise awareness about violence against women. Pumped dignitaries from around the community joined in, including the mayor, chief of police and local MP. Police Chief Frank Elsner says domestic violence is an important issue. Money raised is going toward aYWCA women's program. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Quebec Liberal party Leader Jean Charest speaks at a Liberal council general meeting in St-Hyacinthe, Que., yesterday.

Charest rallies the faithful amid backlash

POLITICS Quebec Premier Jean Charest is trumpeting his party's courage in the face of a backlash from voters angry over planned tax hikes and allegations of influence peddling.

The premier told party faithful yesterday the Liberals need the audacity to stand behind tough decisions necessary to balance the province's finances. But speaking at a general council meeting in St-Hyacinthe, Charest made no mention of the biggest crisis swirling within the party. Charest recently picked former Supreme Court justice Michel Bastarache to head an inquiry into the way judges are chosen in the province. The crisis was

"There'll always be ups and downs ... You have to learn to live with them."

Jean Charest, Quebec premier

sparked by former Quebec justice minister Marc Bellemare, who claimed he was pushed by Liberal party fundraisers to make certain judicial appointments during his term.

"There'll always be ups and downs, unforeseen circumstances and tougher periods," said Charest. "You have to learn to live with them."

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News in brief

TASERS The RCMP have destroyed or retired hundreds of Tasers after laboratory tests found some Mountie stun guns were not performing properly. Internal RCMP notes obtained

by The Canadian Press say 15 per cent of the older M26 model Tasers and one per cent of the newer X26 models did not test within technical tolerances. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Women out of the House?

Guergis flame-out threatens to overshadow Tory progress

Stephen Harper hasn't had much luck with the women he's appointed to cabinet, but his government doesn't appear to have a woman problem — yet.

Helena Guergis's spectacular flame-out was just the latest in a series of ill-starred adventures among the prime minister's female front benchers.

Rona Ambrose, Lisa Raitt, Diane Ablonczy, and now Guergis — all at one time appeared headed for enhanced status in a cabinet dominated by pale males and all have seen their wings clipped, although only Guergis was shown the door.

Yet through it all, Harper's Conservatives have ac-

11 After the 2008 election, Prime Minister Stephen Harper named 11 of 23 women in his caucus to cabinet.

tually managed to close the traditional gender gap that plagues most right-of-centre parties in western democracies.

"There's still a gap, but it's not as pronounced as it traditionally is," says Ottawa pollster Nik Nanos, whose own research finds the discrepancy to have narrowed to four points, about half the typical gender gap.

Allan Gregg of the Harris-Decima firm says his polling has until recently

shown the gap to have disappeared altogether, the first time that's happened in the 40 years he's been tracking public opinion.

Harper's Conservatives have championed red-meat issues that once turned many women off, including opposing the long-gun registry, advancing tough-on-crime law-and-order policies and indulging in pro-military rhetoric.

Conservatives are aware of their past difficulties with women and have worked hard to court their votes, says former Harper chief of staff Tom Flanagan, who literally wrote the book on Harper's team.

Early on, it was decided it would be counter-pro-

ductive to seek "the woman vote" as a general proposition, he said. Instead, the party sought to target those already inclined to conservative views — in this case, family-oriented women — and add a few inducements.

Upon taking office, the Conservatives passed a number of measures, including the child tax benefit and the sports membership credit, meant to appeal to mothers.

However, with the Guergis affair and controversy over Harper's G8 maternal-health initiative making waves recently, the Conservatives risk undoing some of the inroads they've made with women.

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Jean lands in Congo as pressure mounts over Canada's military role

AFRICA Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean arrived in Congo under heavy security yesterday amid indications Canada may take on a larger military role in the devastated country.

A decision is expected within weeks about whether Canada will take over the leadership of a UN peacekeeping force, and send more troops than the 12 soldiers currently there.

An estimated five-million people have been killed in a complex web of conflicts — often referred to as Africa's World War — involving various national armies, militias and control of mining resources.

The Governor General will meet with peacekeepers and the country's leadership.

But the main focus of her trip will be violence against women.

She plans to discuss the country's rape epidemic in a speech to parliamentarians, and meet with abused women.

After a red-carpet greeting at the airport, she will head straight to a meeting with the UN special adviser on sexual violence.

Congo is the second stop on Jean's four-country African tour.

Her arrival in Congo was met by soldiers with as-



Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean walks with Adolphe Muzito, prime minister of Congo, as she arrives in the Congolese capital Kinshasa yesterday.

sault rifles, who formed a multiple-layered perimeter in the neighbourhood around the airport. Trucks full of police and troops guarded the road for kilometres as her motorcade zoomed by.

Despite that atmos-

phere, the welcome had its warm moments.

Curious onlookers lined the road for kilometres and waved as she passed. Some little boys offered military salutes. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

'Seatbelt rage' leads to charges

CRIME An Ontario woman is facing criminal charges in a case police have dubbed "seatbelt rage."

A provincial police officer pulled a car over Thursday evening in Meaford, Ont., after noticing the driver was not wearing her seatbelt.

Police allege the woman became "highly agitated," screamed and shoved the officer before throwing her documents on the ground. Police say she indicated she was going to leave the scene so officers "took control" and she resisted arrest.

The woman was briefly held in custody, then police say she was taken to hospital "out of concern for her volatile and irrational behaviour."

The 45-year-old woman from Town of the Blue Mountains has been charged with failing to wear her seatbelt and assaulting police and resisting arrest.

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Canada leads NATO in prisoner transfers

Canada outstripped its NATO allies almost two-to-one in the number of prisoners it turned over to Afghan authorities in the first nine months of last year, figures prepared for the Afghan government show.

The statistics were compiled by the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission and made available to The Canadian Press. Ottawa does not release them.

More ominously, the commission complained in its latest annual report that it is still frustrated in attempts to check on prison-

Afghan transfers

• Among NATO allies, the Canadian army was way out in front with 163 prisoners. Britain followed with 93 confirmed transfers, the Netherlands had 10, and Denmark had one.

ers handed over to the country's notorious intelligence service — the National Directorate of Security.

The commission, which relies heavily on Canadian government funding and mentorship, says between January and the end of

September 2009, it was notified that 267 suspected insurgents were transferred by Canada, Britain, the Netherlands and Denmark. The United States has its own separate system for dealing with captured Taliban.

Unlike the other NATO allies, who make these numbers publicly available, Ottawa refuses to release its figures, citing operational security and the safety of troops as the reason. The Canadian numbers, however, are available for the asking in Afghanistan.

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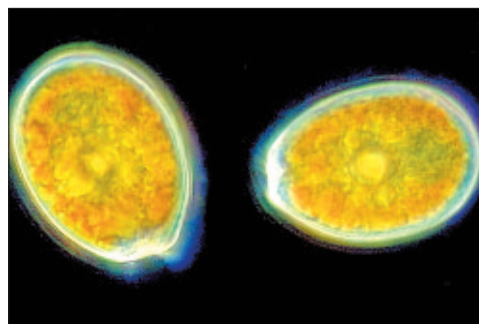
Microbes vital to ocean health

SCIENCE They are the tiniest forms of life in the ocean, not well appreciated and rarely seen by the naked eye.

But scientists probing seas around the globe say they have discovered a profound diversity of microbes and bacteria that are critical to the survival of the world's oceans and the planet.

Using high-tech gear that can identify the microscopic creatures' DNA, researchers are getting a look into the little-known world of underwater microbes and finding a surprising abundance of life.

"It is really exciting that there's such a broad array of these specialized microbes doing all these different things that we didn't know about," said Paul Snelgrove, a marine biologist in St. John's, N.L., who's



Protorocentrum, above, is one of millions of species of marine microbes that was recently identified.

helping compile data for the Census of Marine Life.

"We've really ignored these little players even though the effects they have are really quite profound."

Scientists gathered samples from 1,200 sites worldwide and have compiled a database that in-

cludes 18 million DNA sequences of microbial life.

The discoveries, released yesterday, suggest there may be up to 100 times more microbes than previously thought, making it possible that there are a billion different types.

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Contractors get warning about stimulus projects

CONSTRUCTION The Canadian Construction Association has posted a "cautionary note" to contractors, saying they could find themselves on the hook for paying for infrastructure projects uncompleted by the federally imposed deadline of March 31, 2011.

The warning comes as new data from the Parliamentary Budget Officer show a huge amount of stimulus work is set to come on stream over the next few months — raising questions about whether a lot of work will be left unfinished and unfunded when the federal money stops flowing.

Ottawa has told municipa-

lities that all federal funding will stop cold March 31, 2011, for projects under the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund. So some cities — scrambling to put billions of dollars to work before time runs out — are trying to get contractors to agree to pay for any construction that isn't finished by the deadline, the association warns.

The warning advises contractors not to sign anything unless they find out first whether the project is subject to the March 2011 deadline, whether the project has any hope of being completed by the deadline, and if not, who will pay.

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News in brief

OLYMPICS International sporting officials are set to release a report today into the death of Nodar Kumaritashvili, the 21-year-old luger from Georgia who was killed Feb. 12 when he flew off the luge track during a practice run at the Vancouver Olympics. The International Luge Federation's report is seeking to answer the question of whether the accident could have been avoided.

The report is expected to address everything from the speed of the track to the luger's sled, but it won't lay the blame for the incident on any single factor. Kumaritashvili's family, which has long ties to the sport of luge, will be given a copy of the report. A decision has already been made to try to slow the sport down.

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Former U.S. president Bill Clinton says he expects Republicans will make some election gains this fall. But he says Democrats will not lose the House or the Senate, as they did during his first term in 1994. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

World



Atlantic rower credits iPods, chocolate

An Ohio woman who became the youngest person to row across the Atlantic Ocean alone says she got through the journey with four iPods, 300 chocolate bars and 100 audiobooks. Katie Spatz, left, spent more than two months alone at sea before completing her feat in March. The 22-year-old athlete spoke about the adventure at a welcome-home party Saturday in suburban Cleveland. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

U.S. cutting funding to Egypt

CAIRO U.S. President Barack Obama has dramatically cut funds to promote democracy in Egypt, a shift that could affect everything from anti-corruption programs to the monitoring of elections.

Washington's cuts over the past year — amounting to around 50 per cent — have drawn accusations that the Obama administration is easing off reform pressure on the autocratic government of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to ensure its support on Mideast policy, including the peace process with Israel. "Obama wants change that won't make the Egyptian government angry," said Ahmed Samih, head of a Cairo-based organization that in 2005 used U.S. funds to monitor parliament elections. "And in the Egyptian context, that means there will be no change." Egypt was the centrepiece of a George W. Bush Mideast pro-democracy policy, straining U.S. ties with Mubarak.

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Is it safe to fly over Europe?

Airlines report no ash damage on test flights, but meteorologists warn of unstable skies

Major airlines that sent test flights into European air space found no damage yesterday from the volcanic ash that has paralyzed aviation over the continent, raising pressure on governments to ease restrictions that have thrown global travel and commerce into chaos.

Is it safe to fly yet? Airline officials and some pilots say the passengerless test flights show that it is. But meteorologists warn that the skies over Europe remain unstable from an Icelandic volcano that continues to spew ash capable of knocking out jet engines.

European Union officials said air traffic could return to half its normal level today if the dense cloud begins to dissipate. Germany allowed some flights to resume. Eighty per cent of European airspace remained closed for a devastating fourth day yesterday, with only 4,000 of the normal 20,000-flight schedule in



Scientists say that magma from the volcano on Iceland's Eyjafjallajökull glacier is being cooled quickly, causing plumes of grit. The eruption is ongoing and forecasters have predicted that light prevailing winds in Europe mean that the situation for air travel is unlikely to change in the coming days.

the air, said Brian Flynn, deputy head of operations for Eurocontrol, which supports the air traffic control network across the European Union's 27 states.

The test flights highlighted a lack of consensus on when to reopen the skies. The microscopic but potentially menacing volcanic grit began closing airports from Ireland to Bulgaria on

Thursday, stranding countless passengers and leaving cargo rotting in warehouses.

KLM Royal Dutch airlines, the national German carrier Lufthansa, Air France and several regional airlines sent up test flights, probing altitudes where the cloud of ash has wafted over Europe since the volcano turned active on Wednesday. British

63,000

European flights cancelled since Thursday.

Airways planned an evening flight over the Atlantic from Heathrow, one of Europe's busiest hubs.

None of the pilots reported problems, and the aircraft underwent detailed inspections for damage to the engines and frame.

The planes flew at low altitude, between 3,000 and 8,000 metres, under so-called visual flight rules, in which pilots don't have to rely on their instruments.

There are no recorded instances of fatal aircraft crashes involving volcanic ash, though several have suffered damage and some temporarily lost engine power. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

News in brief

AFGHANISTAN Authorities yesterday released three Italian medical workers who had been detained for a week, clearing them of allegations they were part of a Taliban plot to kill a provincial governor, Italian and Afghan officials said. The Afghan intelligence service said the three Italians as well as five Afghan employees of the aid group Emergency were freed because they were no longer believed to be part of the plot. A sixth Afghan employee remained in custody. The nine Emergency employees were taken into custody April 10 after Afghan and British forces found explosives and handguns in an Emergency hospital in the southern Afghan province of Helmand. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



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Pope meets with victims of abuse

Pope Benedict XVI met yesterday with a group of clerical sex-abuse victims and promised them with tears in his eyes that the Catholic Church would seek justice for pedophile priests and implement "effective measures" to protect young people from abuse.

Benedict expressed his "shame and sorrow" at the pain the men and their families suffered and prayed with them during the meeting at the Vatican's embassy in Malta, the Vatican said.

It was the first time Benedict had met with abuse victims since the worldwide clerical abuse scandal engulfed the Vatican earlier this year.

"He prayed with them and assured them that the Church is doing, and will continue to do, all in



Pope Benedict, on a two-day visit to Malta, is surrounded by youths yesterday on the deck of a boat in the Valletta port.

its power to investigate allegations, to bring to justice those responsible for abuse and to implement effective measures

designed to safeguard young people in the future," the Vatican statement said.

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U.S. troop withdrawal on schedule

IRAQ The planned withdrawal of nearly 45,000 U.S. troops from Iraq by the end of August is on track in spite of a recent increase in attacks by mili-

tant forces, the top U.S. military commander in Iraq said yesterday. Army Gen. Ray Odierno said that al-Qaida's strength in Iraq is steadily degrading. Un-

less there's a dramatic and unforeseen change in the security situation, the U.S. troop drawdown will go ahead as scheduled, he said.

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Iran's Ghadr-1 missile has a range of up to 2,000 kilometers and is capable of putting Israeli and U.S. bases in the region within Iran's reach.

Iran flexes muscle

Ahmadinejad orders U.S. to leave region

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad yesterday extolled Iran's military might during an annual army parade, saying the country is so powerful today that no one would dare attack it.

The parade in Tehran showcased Iran's surface-to-surface Ghadr, Sajjil and Shahab-3 missiles, which have a range of up to 2,000 kilometres — putting Israel and U.S. bases in the region within Iran's reach.

The Shahab-3 missile is capable of carrying a nuclear warhead. Although Tehran doesn't have one, this has been a source of Western concerns along with Iran's controversial uranium-enrichment program, which the international community fears masks ambitions for an

Israel's response

Iran is a danger to the whole civilized world, not just Israel, Israeli President Shimon Peres warned yesterday, setting an especially sombre tone for his nation's annual memorial day for those killed in war and terror attacks.

atomic bomb.

"Today, our armed forces have so much power that no enemy will harbour evil thoughts about laying its hands on Iranian territory," Ahmadinejad said at the parade marking National Army Day.

The speech was broadcast live on state television, which also showed segments of the parade.

Ahmadinejad also urged

the U.S. to stop supporting Israel and to dismantle the American military presence in the Middle East and Afghanistan.

Tehran sees American troops on its doorstep in Iraq, Afghanistan and the Persian Gulf as a threat, and Ahmadinejad reiterated his allegations that the U.S. presence is the source of the region's instability.

"They have to leave our region, this is not a request, it is an order from the nations of the region. It is the will of the regional nations," said Ahmadinejad.

"If they are interested in helping the security of the region, they have to dismantle their military presence in the region and stop supporting Israel."

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NASA warns rain could delay shuttle landing

SPACE NASA warned space shuttle Discovery's astronauts yesterday to expect rain delays as they wrapped up their two-week mission and got ready to come home.

Discovery and its crew of seven were scheduled to land this morning at NASA's Florida spaceport.

Shuttle commander Alan Poindexter said yesterday that he enjoys spending extra time in orbit and doesn't mind if Discovery can't make it back to Earth until tomorrow.

Mission Control promised to keep monitoring the weather in case the forecast improved. In the worst case, Discovery could always aim for the backup landing site in Southern California tomorrow.

Providing Florida's weather co-operates, Discovery will crisscross



The Earth forms a backdrop for space shuttle Discovery, docked with the International Space Station.

much of the United States and parts of western Canada during re-entry, zooming in from the Pacific Northwest.

Flight director Bryan Lunney said it should be an impressive sight, with the shuttle visible from the ground for as long as a couple of minutes. However, a landing in California would scratch all this.

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News in brief

POLAND Some 150,000 Poles paid their last respects to Polish president Lech Kaczynski and his wife, Maria, as the couple were interred yesterday among kings, poets and statesmen in the ancient Wawel Cathedral in a ceremony long on tradition but short on world leaders whose travel plans were wrecked by the enormous plume of volcanic ash that blanketed Europe. U.S. President Barack Obama, French President Nicolas Sarkozy and German Chancellor Angela Merkel were among those cancelled at the last minute because of the expanding ash cloud.

CYPRUS A headline challenger is projected to win the Turkish Cypriot leadership election, official results indicate, with nearly 84 per cent of the votes counted. The election is seen as crucial, and many fear it could drive peace talks with Greek Cypriots to deadlock and jeopardize Turkey's bid for European Union membership.

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Holocaust **Liberation anniversary**

Charlotte Knobloch, president of the Jewish Council in Germany, leaves a stone during the wreath ceremony at the memorial celebration of the 65th anniversary of the liberation of the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in northern Germany yesterday.

Bangkok under 'siege'

Thailand's military declared Bangkok's main shopping boulevard unsafe yesterday because of large crowds of anti-government protesters and sent soldiers to nearby high-rise buildings to watch for any violence.

As Thailand's traditional New Year holiday ended, protest leaders called for another mass rally tomorrow

in their bid to oust Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva — raising concerns of more clashes after savage fighting a week ago killed 25 people.

The warning by army spokesman Col. Sansern Kaewkamnerd was another blow for Thailand's vital tourism sector, which accounts for six per cent of the economy and has suf-

fered a steep decline since the protests began March 12. Sansern said military checkpoints were being set up at entry points to the capital and within the city to try to prevent more protesters from reaching the main rally site, an area of upscale shopping malls and five-star hotels that has been under virtual siege.

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Presto! An easy way to pay fares

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Just as the province prepares to launch its "smart" fare card on GTA transit agencies next month, a brand new wave of technology could make it even easier to pay fares. In May, the Presto pass debuts on

three GO rail lines plus Burlington and Oakville Transit. The cost of each trip is deducted from a balance stored on the card.

In 2010 and 2011, Presto will become valid across the GTA but at only a few subway stations.

The TTC has delayed joining Presto for cost reasons but can now take advantage of the latest technological advances. Both Chicago and New York have been looking closely at how debit and credit cards or even cellphones might be used to pay at

subway gates and on buses.

With the right technology and computer systems in place, U.S.-based expert Paul Korczak says transit agencies could save money by allowing riders to deduct

fares from bank or other accounts — without having to use a special transit card. "Good customer service is about choice," he says.

Presto's David Smith

tells In Transit, "We want to focus ... on all payment mechanisms."

The TTC needs several years and many millions of dollars to install new readers across the system.

When a design is chosen it could possibly accept the Presto card as well as other payment types. Such devices are not to be confused with the anti-fraud fare boxes currently being

tested on some TTC vehicles.

Not everything will change with new technology. Unlimited-use passes ought to remain available, though a points or "miles" scheme may be introduced. And you will still be able to use coins.

Despite wishful thinking, fare disputes won't disappear either. People could try to pay student or senior fares for which they don't qualify, or simply ignore a machine that says their pass is no good.

Expect to continue to

pay extra to cross between 905 and 416. New cards or technology do not necessarily mean cheaper rates — even as they reopen the debate about fare-by-distance on the TTC.

Also, removing the need for subway collectors is no excuse to banish staff from the system. For customer service and safety, we probably want at least one person at each station, ready to help riders.

Toronto-based transport writer Ed Drass covers transit issues every Monday; transit@eddrass.com.

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Cloud creates creative European travel



Martin Alsander

Being stuck in Europe during the Icelandic volcano revenge brings your most creative side alive. How do you get home to Stockholm from Paris with airports closed, all train tickets sold out and every car rental company in Paris already emptied?

On top of that you have just received instructions to pick up your boss (the CEO) in Brussels and make sure he gets to Copenhagen to deliver the quarterly result today.

Working for Metro, I have always taken pride in

our entrepreneurial spirit, but this was a new challenge. In desperation I called the chairman of Metro France and asked him if he could lend me a car, without knowing how to possibly return it to him. After all, we were going to Scandinavia and I was not planning to drive back to Paris again. Yes, he said. You can take my son's Smart car. Excellent, 1,600 kilometres in a Smart car! I can smell a promotion coming up.

Thinking I was doomed, I went out for lunch, where I saw another colleague parking her car — a nice comfortable Lexus. "Here is my chance!" I sidled up to her and offered her a Smart car in exchange for her

Lexus. After a confusing discussion we had a deal. But she needed the car back yesterday, she said — not knowing the details about my plan for her car.

It was Friday noon and I called our CEO to tell him "mission accomplished."

On my way out from Paris I still had to solve the small issue of getting the car back to my colleague by yesterday. I called the office in Stockholm: "Do we have any French people stuck in Stockholm?" The ash cloud co-operated: One of our employees was stuck in Sweden, trying to get to Paris. Put him on a bus to Copenhagen, we'll meet him there.

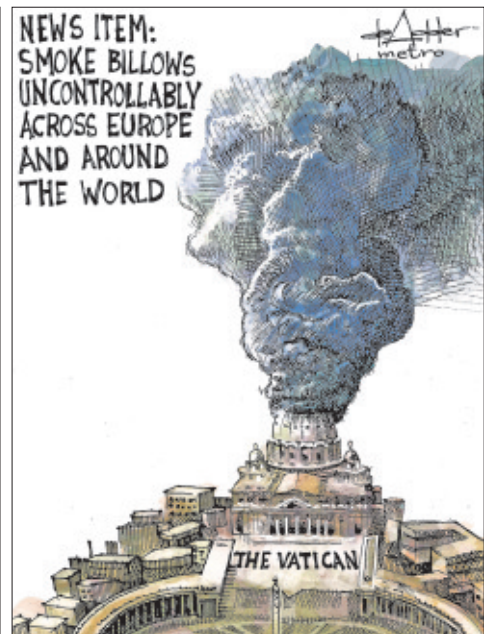
On the autobahns in Germany, our CEO was smok-

ing heavily, talking on the phone and playing with the GPS. Around midnight, I started to get tired and asked if he could drive for a while. "Sorry," he said. "I don't have my driving licence!"

We were still five hours away from Copenhagen. It was going to be a long night.

At 5 a.m. Saturday — after 16 hours on the road — I handed over the car keys to our French friend in Copenhagen. Mission was completed. Our CEO was in Copenhagen, I was on my way to Stockholm and the car was going to be back in Paris by yesterday.

Martin Alsander is an executive vice-president with Metro International.



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Health & Lifestyle

If you're like me, food is my best and worst friend. It's always there to comfort me and bring a smile to my face, but it's also the root of my unhappiness. When I look in the mirror or when my shirt / pant buttons scream for their life, I'm reminded about how I can't control my cravings and appetite. I have struggled with my weight and have tried everything. However, after a visit to the doctor, I have a completely new understanding of my body's ability to lose weight. Years of dieting have affected my ability to lose weight, but after consulting with Dr. Michael Ho, I have lost weight, regained the energy and I feel like a happy, healthy 34 yr old. "The reason most people can't lose weight is because of their hormonal imbalance caused by chemicals in foods, stress and a poor digestive system - preventing daily elimination," says Dr. Michael Ho.

Dr. Michael Ho is a doctor with over 20 years of clinical experience, specializing in drug-free treatments for Canadians. He has studied and worked in countries throughout the world and has devoted his life to Health and Medicine. Dr. Ho has been recognized for his ability to identify and correct the cause of the problem, providing long term solutions for his patients. He states, "One of the most vital health factors is our digestion. Irregularity causes toxic build up, which can lead to bloating, constipation, fatigue, hormonal imbalance and weight gain."

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- Joan F.



Audrey K

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Before



After

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Energy efficient domed schools sparking a global revolution

BEN KNIGHT
for Metro Canada



"I want to see the world go round," says David B. Smith — and he's dedicated his life to making it so.

The president of the Texas-based Monolithic Dome Institute is inventor and promoter of dome-shaped schools, churches and storage facilities. Because the dome is such an efficient shape — lower surface area, less building material required — his buildings are stunningly efficient when it comes to energy conservation and holding heat.

"We are at as low a price as you can build a school," the warm, slow-talking Idaho native says. "Anything that's got any architecture to it — any masonry or anything like that — we're less money."

"The buildings are greener than grass. They'll always come up gold or silver in certification. And then the fun thing is that we've now got to where FEMA (the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency) has recognized these buildings for their strength. One school got 95 per cent of the cost of the building from FEMA because it's also now the town's tornado shelter."

The idea is spreading across North America —



Based in Emmett, Idaho, this facility is the first Monolithic Dome school built.

and around the globe. And rather than try to maintain a monopoly on his patented construction techniques, Smith is only too happy to share his secrets with anyone who wants to learn.

"Believe it or not, I made the decision a long time ago to give this idea away," Smith says. "I have classes four times a year to teach people how to build these domes. It helps if they buy the air form from me — the outer skin, which is what they inflate to make the shape of the building — but there's nothing that says they have to."

The first Canadian Monolithic Dome schools are under design, and should be coming soon. But Smith and his architecture have been up here for decades.

"I built my first dome in



Emmett's 900 students use two 180-foot diameter domes that house classrooms and a gymnasium.

Canada back in '78," he fondly recalls.

"It was a potato storage over in Lethbridge, Alta. We also now make a

weatherproof transportable cabin, and one of our biggest customers is going to be the Inuit in Arctic Canada. You can



Three floors of classrooms surround a five-storey tall atrium.

Monolithic Domes

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ship these up there and plant them, and you've got a building that there's nothing nature can do to hurt you."

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Budget airline Ryanair is considering charging passengers \$1 for usage of onboard toilet facilities.

That's once you've paid for checked-in luggage and been strip searched at security.

The truth is, flying's thunder has passed. Once a glamorous and exclusive mode of transport, air travel has not only become tedious, but one of the direct causes of atmospheric pollution.

Environmentalists worldwide are increasingly pointing the finger at aircrafts and the resultant high levels of greenhouse gas carbon dioxide they emit into the atmosphere.

STAYING GROUNDED

Tom McMillan and his wife Lorraine travelled from Singapore to their home in Cupar, Scotland, without boarding a single plane.

The journey lasted 85 days and required 11 boats, 14 trains, 22 buses and countless mini vans. It also gave the couple the time to think up and eventually launch Flightlesstravel.com a social networking website helping people to travel across the globe without their head in the clouds, literally, in January 2010.

"Flightlesstravel.com is the only website focusing solely on overland and sea travel. Most of the time, travel forums lack honest information about overland travel routes. We developed a database where members state the start and end point of their journey, explaining how they got there. The focus isn't just on where to eat, sleep or drink... but all op-



Tuk tuk's are a low emission way to get around East Asia.

Donkey travel throughout Mongolia is cheap and easy.

tions. From which long boat to take to which train to which bridge to cross," says Tom.

LONG HAUL HURDLES

It took the McMillan's nearly eight weeks to cross South East Asia relying on the poor transport network. Once in China, they picked up speed, on the Trans Mongolian railway route from Beijing to

Moscow, eventually reaching Amsterdam where they boarded a boat to Newcastle.

"People are fed up with flying. With all the stringent security meas-



ures and delays it's lost its glitter. So far, people that have joined our website range from gap year students to people over fifty that like the idea of a challenge," says Tom.

Needless to say, we are becoming increasingly aware of our individual impact on the environment. "People must change their perspective on the whole travelling experience. Think about timing. If you have a two-week holiday and live in France, why go to Asia. Overland travel is about meeting people and soaking up cultures, which will take more than two weeks. Take a train to a destination within your reach."

Friendly travel forms



1 Bike: They are available for rent in almost every major city now and have little to no environmental impact.

2 Tuk Tuk: It is a motorized version of the traditional rickshaw or velotaxi, a small three-wheeled cart operated by a single individual, and is a three-wheeled cabin cycle. Auto rickshaws can be found in many Asian countries.

3 Camel: Obviously not available everywhere, but if you ever get a chance to ride one, their ability to travel long distances on very little water is unmatched.

4 Donkey: Slow and steady, Donkey's are known for their ability to carry large amounts of luggage and friendly travel demeanor.

5 Bus: The best way to control your carbon footprint is to share it with others. Look for bio-diesel buses that produce less emissions.

IF YOU MUST... BOARD A BUS

For Tom, a low emission bus is the most eco-friendly form of public transport.

"You have to consider all factors such as the country the bus was made in, emissions and seat capacity. Above everything else, the focus is on how many people you get on that transport. If the bus has 50 seats and each one is occu-

pied, then it's fuel-efficient. If the same bus carries 10 passengers across the same distance, it's no longer fuel-efficient."

A BLOW FOR THE LOW

The accessibility of low budget air travel has led people to overlook all other options.

"The airline industry is well marketed that it's the first thing that springs to mind when planning a trip," explains Tom.

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Technological advances are so swift that gadgets go out of fashion over night, leaving piles of waste.

Metro found three gadgets that are doing their part for the environment.

1

So Sol

Designer Shin Azumi loves the sun so much that he decided to make it the main feature of his watch, the Sol. The watch is powered using solar cell technology and the unique aspect is that this is featured on the face of the watch — and not hidden on the back, as is commonly the case in design.



2

Picking Petals

Rainy days are about to



Petal Drop is designed to help capture rain water.

get sunny thanks to the flower shaped funnel Petal Drop, made from 100 per cent recycled HDPE plastic. Designed to fit on a plastic bottle screw top in order to collect rainwater as it falls, the petal drop will allow you to use recycled water to water your thirsty garden plants, wash down dirty surfaces or give your pet a

bath. The material is light, so the best thing is to place it down with heavy pebbles.

3

Solar Ball Light

The Solar ball light is an eco friendly lamp design that uses the power of the sun to give out its glow. Throughout the day, the solar battery gets charged and at dusk the light is automatically switched on using the light-detecting sensor.

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Old Habits Die Hard

Consumers Remain Complacent About Rising Car Insurance Rates

What Does Your Renewal Notice Say?

If you're like many consumers, your renewal notice is coming up again, a day you always dread. How much will your rate increase this year? With rates increasing by an average of almost 10% over the last 12 months across Ontario insurers, chances are your rate is going up again, even if your driving record has not changed. You might figure there is no point shopping around for a better rate since everyone's rates seem to be increasing. Better to at least save your time by signing back the renewal, just like you do every year, right? Wrong. You can save time and money on your car insurance...if you know where to look.

How Do I Break The Cycle?

First, you need to realize that you have control over your car insurance costs — you just need to exercise it. And the simplest way to do that is to shop around. Why? Because despite what you've heard about rising car insurance rates,

the size of the increase can vary significantly from one company to the next and from one driver to another. The truth is that rates charged by different insurance companies to insure the same driver, with the same car, for the same coverage, can vary by hundreds and even thousands of dollars. Take a look at the table below.

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Credit card firms face new code of conduct

CREDIT Canadian retailers' groups are applauding a new code of conduct for credit and debit card companies, a move that's intended to reduce the cost of card transactions for businesses and bring more clarity to consumers.

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said Friday that the voluntary code of conduct will be in effect within a

month, and officials were prepared to put legislation in place if the businesses don't regulate themselves. The code is primarily aimed at reducing the cost of

transactions for businesses, which pay a fee each time a consumer swipes a card. However, also included are rules that require credit card companies to get consent from consumers before premium cards are issued and to provide proper notice of changes to their contracts.

The new rules give merchants the freedom to choose which card networks they use — which could affect plans by major credit card companies to roll out debit services in Canada that would compete with Interac.

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People walk past new homes for sale in Oakville. Tighter qualifying rules take effect today to discourage homeowners from taking out mortgages they might not be able to afford.

Tighter mortgage rules kick in for homebuyers

Real estate agent Marcus Caporicci calls it "creative" financing and expects to see more of it when tighter qualifying rules for mortgages take effect today.

The new rules are to discourage homeowners from taking out mortgages they might not be able to afford as interest rates start to rise and return to more normal levels.

Federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty announced the new mortgage rules in February but did not change the rules affecting the five per cent minimum down payment or the 35-year maximum amortization period for a mortgage.

Almost 90 to 95 per cent of Caporicci's clients have been putting down the minimum five per cent

Changes

Under the new rules, the federal government will:

- Require homeowners to meet the borrowing standards for a five-year fixed-rate loan even if they choose variable or shorter-term loans.
- Lower the maximum Canadians can withdraw when refinancing their mortgages to 90 per cent from 95 per cent of the value of their home.
- Require a minimum 20 per cent down payment to qualify for CHHC insurance for non-owner-occupied properties acquired as an investment — aimed at cooling speculation.

down payment, often with the help of their families or their own credit lines.

RBC senior economist Robert Hogue said the changes to the qualifying

rules are largely "tweaks" because banks have already been requiring that buyers qualify for a higher rate.

"It might raise the bar a bit relative to the practice up until now, but it's not enough to tip the market," Hogue said from Toronto.

"The changes will bring more prudence to the marketplace," he said.

Martin Reid, president of mortgage broker Home Trust, said the federal government has standardized what most financial institutions have already been doing when it comes to qualifying for a mortgage.

"There will be some people around the fringe that are impacted by it, but I don't think it's a huge negative impact to the real estate market," he said from Toronto.

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Investors looking for hints of higher rates

CURRENCY The Canadian dollar could get a jolt upwards from the Bank of Canada's interest rate announcement tomorrow.

The central bank is expected to leave its key interest rate unchanged at 0.25 per cent, where it has been for a year now.

What traders will be looking for is a

key change in wording of part of the bank's announcement that could provide a hint of when rates will increase.

The bank has said for months that "conditional on the current outlook for inflation, the target overnight rate can be expected to remain at its current level until the end of the second quarter of 2010 in order to achieve the inflation target."

There has been speculation recently that the bank

could move even sooner to raise interest rates since the economy has been doing far better than expected, while core inflation has been on the rise.

Investors will be watching for any change in that wording, looking for a hint that the Bank of Canada

could raise rates as early as its next announcement June 1.

BMO Capital Markets senior economist Sal Guatieri said he doesn't think the bank will change the phrase next week, adding it is mindful that if it raises the prospect of an earlier or more aggressive tightening move, the Canadian dollar "could just get away."

The loonie last week closed above parity with the U.S. dollar for the first time since May 2008.

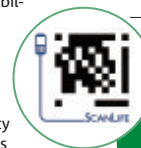
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Business in brief

OILSANDS China's energy security was cited by experts as the main reason state-owned refinery giant Sinopec is shelling out \$4.65 billion US for a nine per cent stake in Syncrude Canada Ltd., the largest oilsands project on Earth. University of Calgary business Prof. Bob Schulz said China has no interest in bringing oilsands crude to China. Schulz said China is mainly interested in grabbing a seat at a table oc-

cupied by some of the globe's top energy companies and benefit from their technical expertise.

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RIM eyes BlackBerrys in vehicles

WIRELESS Research In Motion Ltd. is teaming up with carmakers to make its BlackBerry smartphones work more seamlessly in vehicles, says CEO Mike Lazaridis.

That hinges on making it easier to use the short-range wireless technology Bluetooth to pair the BlackBerry smartphone with the vehicle, he said.

The Waterloo company announced it recently bought Ottawa-based software company QNX Software Systems, which has a real-time operating system for information, entertainment and navigation systems in vehicles.

Lazaridis noted the BlackBerry is already automatically connected to Toyota Camry models. It can play music from the device and show playlists.

IDC senior analyst Kevin Restivo said the BlackBerry could end up unlocking car doors and said there's potential for hundreds of other applications.

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Brampton top of list to build Alfa Romeos

Italian automaker Fiat is set to present its five-year strategic business plan Wednesday — a development that could see Chrysler's new partner build vehicles in Canada for the first time.

Fiat CEO Sergio Marchionne said earlier this year that the Chrysler plant in Brampton would be the best place to build a new model of its storied Alfa Romeo brand.

However, Fiat may choose to build Alfas in Mexico to supply both the North American and South American markets at the same time, said Tony Faria, co-director of the automotive research centre at the University of Windsor.

"It might make more sense to assemble the Alfa Romeo in Mexico, where it would be closer, but also it would reduce the tariffs that would have to be paid, as Mexico has trade agreements with the South American countries that the U.S. and Canada do not," Faria said.



Fiat deputy chairman John Elkann, chairman Luca Cordero di Montezemolo and CEO Sergio Marchionne pose next to a new Alfa Romeo Giulietta model in Rome recently.

However, the Canadian Auto Workers union says "the chances are good" that Fiat will begin building Alfas in Brampton. The plant currently builds sedans. Leon Rideout of CAW Local 1285 in Brampton said having an early connection to Fiat would undoubtedly provide more opportunities for Brampton down the road.

Marchionne hinted in January that if Fiat does decide to build Alfas in

Brampton, Fiat would invest in the plant's aging paint shop, which is one of the oldest Chrysler has.

"If you're going to make an investment of that nature, you are certainly making a commitment for a considerable period of time to the plant, and that would be tremendous news for Ontario and Brampton if Chrysler decided to make that sort of commitment," Faria said.

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NATIONAL

Volunteer Week

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Celebrating community spirit

2010 National Volunteer Week says thanks for turning compassion into action

RAFAEL BRUSILOV
for Metro Canada



Celebrating the selfless efforts of volunteers across Canada, National Volunteer Week is here.

The weeklong event runs from April 18 through April 24 and sheds light — as well as well-earned praise — on all the good work volunteers do in this country.

Ruth MacKenzie, president and CEO of Volunteer Canada, says National Volunteer Week celebrates the efforts of volunteers to highlight the positive effect their work has on society.

"The big goal is to draw attention to the 12.5 million Canadians who dedi-

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- **Change The World Ontario Youth Volunteer Challenge** wants 10,000 young people to volunteer for at least three hours between April 18 and May 9. See tomorrow's Metro for more.

- **20-Minute Toronto** Make over on April 23 at 2 p.m. for 20 minutes. See toronto.ca for details.
- **Mayor David Miller's Community Clean-up Day** on April 24. See toronto.ca for details.

cate their time to make their communities better. They make change, they ignite movements and they just make things better for our society. People have really busy lives and just the fact that they take some time to volunteer, that's transformative to our way of life and our social fabric," MacKenzie said.

In all last year, 46 per cent of Canadians over the age of 15 volunteered their time and effort, providing 2.1 billion volunteer hours to community and charity organizations throughout Canada, proof that Canadians are no slouches when it comes to giving back to their communities.

MacKenzie says volun-

teering today has moved far beyond only physical help — many professionals are donating their knowledge and skills to help mentor others than ever before.

"We're seeing a real shift to the focus being more skills-based and more talent-based. People are realizing they want to pass on their skills they've learned during their careers to others," she said.

Deborah Gardner, executive director at Volunteer Toronto, hopes the national celebration will encourage more people to volunteer.

"As little as an hour can make a huge difference. Life is just so much different if you don't volunteer," Gardner said.



Participants in a Corporate Council on Volunteering event in Calgary with the local Boys and Girls Club, give their time and skills.

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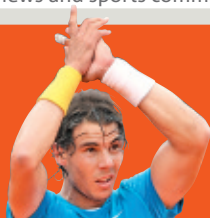


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Sports



Nadal ends title drought

Rafael Nadal, left, defeated Fernando Verdasco 6-0, 6-1 in yesterday's all-Spanish final to win the Monte Carlo Masters for the sixth straight year and end his title drought. The second-seeded Nadal clinched his first title since the Rome Masters in May 2009 by overpowering the sixth-seeded Verdasco with a stunning display of attacking clay-court tennis.

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Mile-high meltdown as late goals cost TFC

MLS RESULTS

TFC 1 Rapids 3



Jeff Larentowicz broke a tie in the 71st minute and Conor Casey scored two penalty goals, helping the Colorado Rapids run their home unbeaten streak to seven games with a 3-1 victory over Toronto FC yesterday.

Casey's two goals helped the Rapids (2-1-1) improve to 4-0-3 over two seasons at home.

It was the first goal of the year for Larentowicz. Casey's goals were his 31st

and 32nd as a member of the Rapids, moving him into third on the club's career list.

Colorado played without defender Julien Baudet, who was serving a one-game suspension.

Dwayne De Rosario had a penalty kick goal of his own for Toronto FC (1-3-0), which has been outscored 9-2 in their three road losses this year.

De Rosario has all four goals for Toronto this season.

Casey came into the league with Toronto FC in 2007, scoring two goals with the Reds before being traded to Colorado April 19, 2007.

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Sports in brief

NHL The morning after a thrilling comeback victory and a goaltender switch, Washington Capitals coach Bruce Boudreau was still undecided on his goalie for Game 3 of the first-round playoff series in Montreal tonight. In Saturday's 6-5 overtime win over the Canadiens, Boudreau pulled Jose Theodore in favour of Semmyen Varnalov just 7:58 into the game after Theodore allowed the first two Montreal shots to go in.

SOCCER Arsenal conceded three goals in the last 10 minutes yesterday to lose 3-2 at Wigan and surrender its faint hopes of winning the Premier League title. Wigan's first league win over Arsenal lifted it seven points clear of the relegation zone and left the Gunners six points behind leader Chelsea with three games to play.

BOXER Former lightweight champion Edwin Valero was detained yesterday on suspicion of killing his wife, the gravest in a string of prob-

lems that have threatened to derail his career. Venezuelan Federal Police Chief Wilmer Flores said Valero was arrested after police found the body of his 20-year-old wife in a hotel in Valencia.

NBA Utah Jazz general manager Kevin O'Connor says centre Mehmet Okur has a torn left Achilles' tendon and is out for the remainder of the playoffs. Okur needs surgery and will likely miss the world championships this summer in his native Turkey. He flew home to Salt Lake City yesterday after an MRI revealed the tear.

NBA While the NBA considers discipline for Boston's Kevin Garnett, Chicago Bulls centre Joakim Noah called the Celtics star "a dirty player" for throwing an elbow against Miami. Garnett elbowed Heat forward Quentin Richardson in the face during a sideline skirmish late in the fourth quarter of Boston's win in Game 1. Garnett was called for two technicals and ejected.

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Pens pull ahead

(Pittsburgh leads series 2-1)

Penguins 4 Senators 2



Sidney Crosby scored the game winner in the second period as the Pittsburgh Penguins beat the Ottawa Senators 4-2 last night to take a 2-1 series lead in their Eastern Conference quarter-final.

Crosby added an assist for Pittsburgh, which also got goals from Alexei Ponikarovsky, Evgeni Malkin and Bill Guerin. Marc-Andre Fleury stopped 20 shots.

Mike Fisher and Matt Cullen each scored on the power play for the Senators, while Brian Elliott faced 24 shots.

With Pittsburgh leading 2-1 late in the second, Crosby fought off Ottawa defenceman Andy Sutton and lifted a shot over a sprawled



Pittsburgh Penguin Alexei Ponikarovsky celebrates after scoring against the Ottawa Senators last night in Ottawa.

out Elliott for his second of the playoffs.

The towel waving sold-out crowd at Scotiabank Place was quickly silenced

early on as the Penguins scored on their very first shot when Ponikarovsky beat Elliott at 1:17 of the first period. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Thunder have no answer for Lakers' big men

(L.A. leads series 1-0)

Thunder 79 Lakers 87



Pau Gasol scored 19 points, Andrew Bynum added 13 and the Los Angeles Lakers used their twin seven-footers to dominate inside against the Oklahoma City

Thunder, winning 87-79 yesterday in the opener of their playoff series.

Kobe Bryant added 21 points on 6-of-19 shooting after missing four of the final five regular-season games to rest his swollen right knee and broken right index finger.

Kevin Durant led the Thunder with 24 points — less than the 30.1 average of the NBA's youngest-ever

scoring champion. Former UCLA star Russell Westbrook added 23.

Bynum returned from a 13-game absence because of a strained right Achilles' tendon, teaming with Gasol to pull down a combined 25 rebounds and deny the Thunder key second-chance baskets.

Game 2 in the best-of-seven series is tomorrow in L.A. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Kansas City (Bannister 0-0) at Toronto (Morrow 0-1), 7:07 p.m.
Detroit (Willis 0-0) at L.A. Angels (Pineiro 1-1), 10:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Bergesen 0-1) at Seattle (Fister 1-1), 10:10 p.m.

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Two months after claiming curling gold at the Vancouver Olympics, Kevin Martin guided his team to an 8-7 extra-end win over former Olympic champion Brad Gushue yesterday, claiming the Grey Power Players' Championship. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Toronto starter Ricky Romero gave up one run over eight innings yesterday as the Blue Jays fell 3-1 to the Los Angeles Angels. The Jays were swept in the three-game series at Rogers Centre.

Romero outduelled by Angels' Santana

MLB RESULTS

Angels 3 Blue Jays 1



BASEBALL Ervin Santana held the Toronto Blue Jays to four hits while Hideki Matsui and Jeff Mathis had run-scoring doubles for the Los Angeles Angels, who completed a three-game

sweep of the Blue Jays with a 3-1 victory yesterday.

Santana did not allow a run until two out in the ninth when Adam Lind hit his third homer of the season.

Ricky Romero (1-1) took the loss, allowing one run on five hits and two walks in eight innings before a crowd of 14,246 at the Rogers Centre. He struck out six.

Santana (1-2) pitched his

first complete game of the season and did not allow a walk while also striking out six in his third start of the season.

The Angels scored two runs in the ninth against reliever Scott Downs on Matsui's leadoff double and a two-base error by first baseman Lyle Overbay.

Mathis doubled in the second run of the inning.

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Keep your own, Canada

It's Called Football

Ben Rycroft

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It's been said before, but it bears repeating: Canada needs to do more to ensure other nations aren't scooping up its national team players.

Last Friday, the Canadian Soccer Association held a press conference to outline its plans for the rest of 2010. It announced five more friendlies this year, including a couple of high-profile matchups against Argentina and Honduras. Two of the five games will be played on Canadian soil.

The CSA should be commended for its proactive approach in going out and landing these games, but a larger issue still looms.

Last year saw a low point for the Canadian game, as the "goalkeeper of the future," Asmir Begovic, walked away from the nation that raised him to be capped for Bosnia-Herzegovina, the nation that

birthed him.

Canada had ample time to cap Begovic during the last World Cup qualifying campaign, but through mismanagement and FIFA rule changes, he was never permanently tied to the Maple Leaf.

Now Canada is faced with a similar situation in Teal Bunbury.

Bunbury, born in Hamilton to an American mother and former Canadian national team legend Alex Bunbury, was drafted fourth overall in the MLS SuperDraft and is widely regarded as a striker who could play a major part in Canada's national team program for years to come.

But word has it that the U.S. men's national team is suddenly short on depth and looking to shore up its future — that includes taking a hard look at young Bunbury, who scored his first MLS goal last week.

I spoke to Bunbury just hours after the CSA presser. He dismissed any notion U.S. team officials had approached him, but admitted he hadn't ruled out playing for the U.S.

He also said that Canadian national team head coach Stephen Hart had

spoken to him earlier in the year.

"Right now I'm trying to work on my life as a professional in Kansas City and when opportunities arise with the national teams, I'll take care of them," Bunbury said.

Hart is taking the right steps to ensure this young talent doesn't go astray by keeping in contact with him and letting him know where he stands in the Canadian team's plans.

But Hart should take it a step further and eliminate any doubt — invite Bunbury to play in this year's friendlies, and then cap-tie him at next year's CONCACAF Gold Cup.

Hart's predecessor, Dale Mitchell, missed that opportunity with Begovic when he kept him on the bench throughout World Cup qualifying.

Canada can't afford to make the same mistake with Bunbury.

It's Called Football will interview Canadian national team head coach Stephen Hart live tonight at 9. You can watch the live show at 24thminute.com or catch the archived edition at metronews.ca Tuesday.

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Manitoba looks for changes at University College of the North

Recently, the Manitoba government announced proposed amendments to the University College of the North Act that would bring UCN governance in line with other universities in the province. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Workology

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Cuts at Cambrian College

Facing a projected \$7.5-million shortfall, Cambrian College in Sudbury, Ont., has decided to shut down its day-care centre and reduce its maintenance workforce. Other operating efficiencies the college is implementing include an early retirement incentive program, an increase in parking rates, and the hiring of a management company to operate Cambrian's residence. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Dancing to a different career path

A love of ballroom, and a certain woman, sidetracked Robert Tang from his MBA track

OddJobs



Diane Peters
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Most parents want their kids to grow up to join a respectable, well-paying profession.

But Robert Tang, now 46, was already on a successful career path, having got his MBA, when his parents sidetracked him with ballroom dancing.

The Tangs entered their first ballroom dancing competition when Robert was 25. They'd always danced for fun with friends, and his father had done lessons back in Malaysia many years before.

Tang was impressed with the event: The dancing looked fun, he liked the music and his parents made the finals. Plus, he met a dancer named Beverley that day who was looking gorgeous in a turquoise ball gown.

A few weeks later, the Tangs' dance teacher asked if Robert wanted to dance. A young dancer at the studio needed a partner her own age.

Those first few weeks were difficult. Tang struggled to master and remember the steps and keep up with his partner.

But just seven weeks later, Tang and partner Tracey did their first competition and actually did better than Tang's parents.

The pair moved quickly



Robert Tang and his wife Beverley Cayton-Tang first became dancing partners, then life partners. Now they are also business partners, running a dance studio called DanceScape.

up the amateur ranks. Then Tang's teacher arranged a most appealing switch: Tracey went pro with a male dancer while Tang took a new partner. That was Beverley, whom he'd met before.

Tang and his new partner began dating and married three years later, in

1993. But life was busy. Tang had a demanding job with a software company and travelled frequently to the United States. Meanwhile, the couple flew as far away as Europe for training and all over Canada for competitions. Their hard work paid off: they won the Cana-

an amateur championship three times and the North American championship twice.

After a decade of dancing in their spare time, the couple decided to make it a full time job. With the help of an investor, they started the studio DanceScape in 2000.

The Lowdown

Job title: Ballroom dancing teacher

Salary: Up to \$100,000 a year

Education/training: Dancing skills, can apprentice at a studio

Best Part of the Job: "Inspiring other people to try dancing and to get moving."

Worst Part of the Job: "Finding time."

In the early years, Tang taught from noon until 10 p.m. Classes are one hour with either a group of up to 40 students, or one-on-one lessons.

He helps his students set goals, and then shows them both the dance steps, and more subtle things like how to lead and read a partner's sig-

nals. Later, he began teaching instructors too: How to identify learning styles, see ballroom from both the male and female roles and learn the business side.

These days, Tang spends more time in the office planning new programs for the studio and marketing and promoting it. He just teaches private lessons and a beginner class along with his wife.

The couple now just dance at community events, but always set high goals for themselves for those showcases. "We can't get it out of our systems to be the best."

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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Small businesses seek pension help

Rules make retirement programs pricey

Business owners seeking to hire the best and brightest employees compete to offer great work environments, opportunities and benefits. But some small business owners in Canada who would like to offer pension and retirement savings plans to their employees are challenged by the complexity and costs of running such a program.

Already more than 50 per cent of Canadians working in the private sector have some sort of group retirement savings or investing program. Increasing opportunities for the balance requires some changes to Canada's retirement savings system, according to the Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association.

"Business owners and operators recognize the enormous value of help-

"Business owners and operators recognize the enormous value of helping their employees save for their retirements, but many — particularly small business — are handcuffed by tax and administrative regulations that make running a program more expensive and time consuming."

Frank Swedlove, president of Canadians Life and Health Insurance Association Inc.

ing their employees save for their retirements, but many — particularly small business — are handcuffed by tax and administrative regulations that make running a program more expensive and time consuming," says Frank Swedlove, president of the Canadians Life and Health Insurance Association Inc. "We need to make regulatory changes so that company pension

plans become less complex and costly to operate. And we need to allow employers to band together in multi-employer plans that pool contributions and achieve efficiencies in cost and operations."

Changing the law that requires that group pension programs only be offered by a single employer to its employees is one way to help employers. Doing so would allow for



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the creation of multi-employer pension plans where contributions are pooled and the administrative burden to each individual employer is reduced. Allowing for the creation of such multi-employer pensions plans would also let the self-employed participate in a pension program.

Employers recognize that providing a good company pension or group retirement saving program helps retain existing employees. Often they can improve the firms' business reputation and help attract capable new employees. And, most importantly, they help give employees peace

of mind.

Initiatives are underway to review Canada's retirement savings programs. Capitalizing on many employers' desire to help employees save, plus the efficiency of group programs, will play a big role in ensuring a successful system for future generations.

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The University of Ottawa is the only post-secondary institution among the 35 national workplaces chosen as the Best Employers for New Canadians for 2010. One of the reasons uOttawa was chosen is that it classifies new Canadians as a distinct employment equity group. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Finding your niche on the net

BookReview

No Size Fits All

Authors: Tom Hayes & Michael S. Malone
Publisher: Portfolio
Price: \$32.50

CRAIG LUND
 for Metro Canada



The Internet has been a boom for many businesses but at the same time, the rise in the internet has meant that anyone can compete for business because the entrance barrier is so affordable.

The result is that major institutions are being toppled because our consumption behaviour has changed. Libraries, video stores, and broadcasters are all scrambling to figure out how to save themselves, but for many of them, it's too late.

Authors Tom Hayes and Michael S. Malone speak to this phenomenon from



Twitter is just one of the new ways companies and major institutions are trying to market themselves.

a marketing perspective and illustrate how technology has shifted, how the public consumes marketing or more specifical-

ly, and how consumers simply don't respond to the old style generic mass advertising model.

"Before mass media

trained us to think and act alike, people marketed their wares directly to one another in a social context".



We are seeing resurgence in what the authors refer to as hand selling.

The abundance of these insular niche groups has made it very difficult for marketers to penetrate. But the reality is that once you have achieved buy-in from the group, these consumers will prove to be very lucrative to hold.

A very interesting read, though sometimes a bit academic. If you haven't figured out how to become a niche player, pen-

Craig Lund, a director with the staffing firm Marketers on Demand, can be reached at craig.lund@marketersondemand.com

Credit union for university crowd?

BANKING A pair of University of Waterloo students are looking to launch Canada's first credit union for the university and college community in the Waterloo Region.

The proponents of the Waterloo Banking Project believe a credit union could do great things for students, such as offering "micro-loans" designed for when a student is running out of funds for living expenses at the end of one semester, but will have money coming in from a co-op placement or a summer job. The students are surveying students, alumni, staff, and others at uWaterloo, Wilfrid Laurier University, and Conestoga College — people who could be the credit union's future customers — on what kind of services might be in demand. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Entertainment

Going Gaga

Lady Gaga is returning to American Idol. The Grammy winner announced the news on Twitter. "See you on American Idol. May 5th, Little Monsters." TVGUIDE.COM

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Bubl  wins big at the Junos

On a weekend when a dense blanket of fog wreaked havoc in St. John's, one thing was still perfectly clear last night: Michael Bubl  was the shining star of the 39th annual Juno Awards.

The Vancouver crooner nabbed a leading four trophies overall, including album of the year for his blockbuster *Crazy Love*, single of the year for *Haven't Met You Yet* and the Juno fan choice award. "This is the best one," Bubl  said from the stage. "I mean, because we talk

about our managers and our companies and all that stuff but we don't talk about you enough. The fans, without you, none of this happens.

"I love you from the West Coast to the East, black, white, rich, poor, gay, straight, thanks for the support. I love you."

Two Toronto hip-hop artists split much of the remaining spoils, with 23-year-old rapper Drake picking up trophies for rap recording of the year and new artist of the year, and K'naan winning songwriter of the year, to go with the artist of the year trophy he earned at Saturday's gala.

"Last night, I won one of these things at the ceremony for artist of the year and I'm just as baffled as I was



Michael Bubl  accepts his Juno for single of the year for *Haven't Met You Yet* at the Juno Awards in St. John's, N.L., last night.

then," K'naan said from the stage. "Honestly, there is no greater dream than the

one that comes true in the way of a song. I feel like you couldn't really write

my story any better.

"K'naan here, and (I) really appreciate you Canada."

Toronto new-wave outfit Metric also became double winners, picking up group of the year honours to go with the alternative album of the year trophy they won Saturday.

"Wow, this is too much," said guitarist James Shaw as he took the stage, visibly surprised. "This has been an unbelievable year."

But this was Bubl 's show. The 34-year-old entered the weekend with six nominations and left with four crystal trophies, winning one Saturday and three last night. That brings his career Juno tally to 10 awards.

The Juno haul is the latest high point in a

The winners are...

Winners from Sunday's Juno Awards broadcast:

- Album of the year: Michael Bubl , *Crazy Love*
- Juno fan choice Award: Michael Bubl 
- New artist of the year: Drake
- Songwriter of the year: K'naan
- Group of the year: Metric
- Single of the year: Michael Bubl , *Haven't Met You Yet*
- Rap recording of the year: Drake, *So Far Gone*

sparkling year for Bubl .

Last September, his fourth studio album, *Crazy Love*, spent two weeks at No. 1 on the charts both in the U.S. and Canada.

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Chicks' case settled

A U.S. federal judge says the stepfather of one of three Arkansas boys slain in 1993 must pay Dixie Chicks singer Natalie Maines' legal costs stemming from a defamation lawsuit he filed over her remarks at a 2007 Little Rock rally implying he was involved in killing his stepson. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

jack-soul's gala night

There were no multiple winners Saturday as Michael Bublé, K'naan and Johnny Reid claimed Juno Awards, but for Jack-soul, one more trophy was plenty.

The Toronto R&B group won their third Juno as 32 of 39 categories were awarded at a non-televised gala. The win comes after the November death of Haydain Neale, who was recovering from a near-fatal traffic accident and battling lung cancer during the album's conception.

The group's keyboardist Ron Lopata — accepting the award alongside Neale's wife, Michaela — urged the crowd to shout out Neale's name in unison.

"Haydain didn't only sing soul music, but he had a beautiful soul," Lopata said, his voice cracking. "As you all know, he had an accident a couple years ago, and I saw him fight every day in rehab and put his whole soul into that to get better for everybody."

"And then he contracted cancer, and then he had the gumption to say I'm going to go into the studio and make a soul record ... and if



K'naan accepts the Juno for artist of the year.

that doesn't deserve best fricking soul recording, I don't know what I do.

"So, we miss you Haydain, we love you Haydain, and I know he would thank everybody here."

Bubl , who entered the weekend Neale with a leading six nominations, won for pop album of the year, but was beat out in the artist of the year category by Somali-born, Toronto-raised hip-hop artist K'naan.

"I honestly, genuinely never thought anyone

would like at all or want to hear these ... songs that are very personal," K'naan said.



"This is great, I really do appreciate this. ... This belongs to a lot of people, from Somalia to Canada. Thank you very, very, very, very much."

The 34-year-old Bub  revelled in his one win, reminiscing about his first Juno, which he won in 2004 for best new artist.

"I came to this event as a pudgy, young kid full of dreams, and I've come

here tonight as a middle-aged, balding man whose dream is to have hair like the Biebs," Bub  said, referring to his rival in the pop album category, 16-year-old Justin Bieber.

"Honest to God, I remember winning best new artist and it meant everything to me, and it still feels the same."

K'naan's win wasn't the only surprising victory of the evening, which saw the bulk of the prizes handed out ahead of last night's televised bash.

Veteran Montreal singer Rannee Lee won vocal jazz al-

Juno winners from Saturday

The following is a partial list of Juno winners handed out at a gala Saturday night:

- Pop Album of the Year: Michael Bub , *Crazy Love*
- Rock Album of the Year: Billy Talent, *III*
- International Album of the Year: Kings of Leon, *Only by the Night*
- Artist of the Year: K'naan
- New Group of the Year: Arkells

- Adult Alternative Album of the Year: Joel Plaskett, *Three*
- Alternative Album of the Year: Metric, *Fantasies*
- Dance Recording of the Year: Deadmau5, *For Lack of a Better Name*
- R&B/Soul Recording of the Year: Jack-soul, *Lonesome Highway*
- Video of the Year: Marc Ricciardelli, *Little Bit of Red* (Sere-na Ryder)

bum of the year over decorated Nanaimo, B.C., chanteuse Diana Krall (who has pocketed eight Junos over her long career) and Billy Talent triumphed over 12-time Juno winners the Tragically Hip and last year's champions Nickel-

back for rock album of the year. While the Saturday show is never the glitzy extravaganza that viewers soak up in the televised broadcast, this year's gala was hardly short on tender, affecting moments.

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Harrelson lawsuit settled

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Degrassi and 90210 star Shenae Grimes hit the airwaves on Friday morning to act as co-host of The Breakfast Show with Mad Dog & Billie - Grimes hosted with Billie while Mad Dog was in St John's for the JUNO

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Feeling chatroom nostalgia? Dump.fm allows chatters — pinning for grainy animated GIFs and photoshopped images past their 15 minutes of viral fame — to talk with each other using their favourite pictures.

This latest Internet phenomenon is definitely a web 2.0 update: Think of it as a microblog photo entry on speed, with a twist. Dump.fm encourages users to "chat" with images of what were once Internet

fads, in a fast-paced environment that screams Information Superhighway.

The site was recently launched by artist Ryder Ripps, in collaboration with artist/director Stefan Moore and programmer Scott Ostler. Ripps is a 23-year-old New York-based artist, whom wired.co.uk crowned the "Indiana Jones of the Internet" for founding Internet Archaeology, an online museum of "graphic artifacts" dating back to when Geocities and Angelfire ruled the web.

As the digital native gets older, it's inevitable that a fondness for a time when they were sassygal.69@hotmail.com. Dump.fm images reflect this tech nostalgia with shared jpegs and gifs that reference the perverse, 4chan Internet underbelly.

"Love it or hate it, but LOLCats is a part of our his-

File under dump.fm

- Click onto www.socialite.posterous.com/tag/dumpfm for a gallery of notable Dump.fm images, as well as additional interviews on the new memes it's sprung.

tory," says Ripps of the cute kitty animations' lingering viral fame. "Say what you will about it being rudimentary and ugly, but (these) are real references that elicit a strong emotional response, especially if you grew up with (the Internet)."

But doesn't the mash up of unrelated images into a real-time, hyper-speed stream diminish the images' value? Not necessarily, suggests Ostler. He believes dump.fm users communi-

cate in casual back-and-forth fashion. "It's not as transient as it appears to be. There are long-term patterns... and sometimes one person [can often] direct and completely change the flow and content of a conversation."

Ripps believes this shared image searching of world wide web junk is a salvaging of Internet memories. It's acknowledging an emotional idealism to online posts, like his own as a nine-year-old in an AOL chatroom.

"It didn't really matter what the conversation was, but the novelty that someone on the other side of the earth was sharing that with you" was what made it special, Ripps explains.

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Sony Bravia 40-inch LCD HDTV

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Ash cloud hampers star travel

GROUND A volcanic cloud of ash hovering over Europe is causing quite a scene in Hollywood and beyond.

The ash spat out by an Icelandic volcano that has left thousands of air travellers stranded is also affecting celebrities, filmmakers, musicians and even pro-wrestlers.

With almost two-thirds of Europe's flights grounded, cancellations and postponements were popping up across the entertainment landscape on Saturday as Icelandic scientists warned that volcanic activity had increased and showed no sign of abating.

Organizers of the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival in Indio, Calif., tweeted that some acts were forced to pull out of the weekend event, including British rockers The Cribs and Bad Lieutenant, Scottish rockers Frightened Rabbit, and British dance trio Delphic.

However, several performers from Europe scheduled to perform at Coachella were already across the Atlantic Ocean or had boarded planes before the volcanic cloud forced a rash of flight cancellations. Those included Radiohead's Thom Yorke, Gorillaz, Muse, Hot Chip, Fever Ray and Florence and the Machine.

Although scientists were indicating that travel chaos could extend into the new week, New York's Tribeca Film Festival, which is set to begin Wednesday, had yet to receive any cancellations by late Friday.

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Vogue: Glee-style

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Jane Lynch is having quite a week. Her hit series, *Glee*, returned to TV last week with nearly double the ratings it enjoyed last fall, her remake of Madonna's *Vogue* video featured during the broadcast has become an Internet sensation and she announced she's engaged to marry her long-time partner, psychologist Lara Embry.

To top it all off, Outfest, L.A.'s gay and lesbian film festival, announced it will be honouring Lynch with its Achievement Award, to

be presented in July. "It's kind of otherworldly, to the point where I'm just kind of zen about it," Lynch told Metro at the L.A. Comedy Shorts Festival. "It's all good and I'm enjoying, and I still have to go home and feed my dogs and deal with life."

While Lynch's rendition of *Vogue*, performed as her *Glee* character, Sue Sylvester, has become a bona fide web hit, she admits she isn't surprised.

"It sounds so arrogant," she says with a laugh. "I

could see on the monitor how good it was. As we were making it, I kept making eye contact with Ryan Murphy, the director, and we kept shaking our heads going, 'Can you believe that we're doing this?'"

Vogue was just a preview for this week's episode, the hit show's tribute to Madonna. "It's a relentless episode. You can't believe that an hour has passed. It feels like five minutes," Lynch says. "In my own un-objective opinion, it's the best hour I've seen in television."

**Glee's
Madonna
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Weekend box office

- 1 How to Train Your Dragon:** \$20 million
- 2 Kick-Ass:** \$19.75 million
- 3 Date Night:** \$17.3 million US
- 4 Death at a Funeral:** \$17 million
- 5 Clash of the Titans:** \$15.8 million
- 6 Last Song:** \$5.8 million
- 7 Why Did I Get Married Too?** \$4.2 million
- 8 Hot Tub Time Machine:** \$3.55 million
- 9 Alice in Wonderland:** \$3.54 million
- 10 The Bounty Hunter:** \$3.2 million

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	Vu	SD	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
prime time	265	353	2	TVO	Victorian Farm	The Agenda With Steve Paikin	Midsomer Murders	Empire of the Word	Agenda-Paikin			
	211	331	3	GTV	Entertainment	House "Knight Fall" (N)	24 (HDTV PA) (N)	NCIS: Los Angeles	News Hour			
	215	343	4	OMNI1	Two/Half Men	The Office	Omni News: Italian Edition (N)	Vivere V	Omni News:	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Metropia	
	210	302	6	CBC	NHL Hockey Buffalo Sabres at Boston Bruins	(HDTV) (Live)		National	NHL Hockey: Canucks at Kings			
	214	344	7	CITY	Law & Order: SVU	How I Met	Trauma "Sweet Jane"	Chuck (HDTV)	News			
	212	313	8	CTV	etalk	Hiccups (N)	Dan for Mayor	Two/Half Men	Big Bang	(10:01) CSI: Miami (N)	CTV News	
	218	345	11	CHCH	View From the Top ** (2003, Comedy)	On Her Majesty's Secret Service *** (1969, Action)	George Lazenby	Two/Half Men	King	News at 11 (N)	Cold Case	
	-	-	14	-	Family Guy	The Simpsons	Omni News: S. Asian Edition	Omni News: Cantonese Edition	Two/Half Men	Dream Car	Becker	
	213	326	15	SUN	Old Christine	The Insider (N)	Bowler *** (1999, Comedy) Steve Martin	The Insider (N)	Dream Car	(10:01) CSI: Miami (N)	News at 11	
	-	387	16	CBS	Inside Edition	Access H.	How I Met	Engagement	Two/Half Men	Big Bang	Chuck (HDTV)	News
news	-	385	17	NBC	Entertainment	The Insider (N)	Chuck (HDTV)	Trauma "Sweet Jane"	News			
	-	386	18	ABC	Wheel Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Dancing With the Stars (HDTV) (Live)	Romantically	Castle "Den of Thieves"	News		
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	-	388	61	PBS	PBS NewsHour	Time Goes By	Antiques Roadshow (N)	American Experience	Environmental movement. (N)	Business Rpt.		
	297	652	330	WPX	Two/Half Men	Family Guy	One Tree Hill (HDTV)	Gossip Girl (HDTV)	PIX News at Ten Tong.	Two/Half Men	The Office	
	296	654	331	SBK	The Insider (N)	Entertainment	Law & Order: SVU	WBZ News (N)	70s Show	Frasier	One Tree Hill	
	298	653	332	TLA	The Tyra Show (N)	According-Jim	Family Guy	CTLA News	KTLA News	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	
	502	390	26	NW	The Lang & O'Leary Exchange	Connect with Mark Kelley (N)	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV) (N)	National	
	500	500	33	CNN	John King, USA (N)	Campbell Brown (N)	Biography on CNBC	Larry King Live (N)	The NEW Age of Wal-Mart	The Nuclear Option	Mad Money	
sports	405	417	22	net	MLB Baseball Kansas City Royals at Toronto Blue Jays	From Rogers Centre in Toronto.			SportsNet Connected	Hockey Centre	Off the Record	
	400	400	30	TSN	NHL Hockey Washington Capitals at Montreal Canadiens	(HDTV) (Live)			SportsCentre (HDTV) (Live)			
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	554	544	45	TEL	Johnny Test	Total Drama	Total Drama	6TEEN	Futurama	American Dad	Futurama	
	556	540	51	FAM	Sonny-Chance	Suite Life	Overruled!	Han. Montana	Wizards-Place	Latest Buzz	Ned's School	
	602	567	27	W	Supernanny	How Clean Is	How Clean Is	Love It or List It	Love It or List It	Love It or List It	Cory in House	
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	615	520	31	A&E	Criminal Minds (HDTV)	Intervention "Vinnie"	Intervention "Vinnie"	Intervention "Vinnie"	Hoarders: Linda, Todd	Hoarders: Linda, Todd	Runaway Sq.	
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	616	521	39	SHO	Relic Hunter	The House Next Door (2006, Suspense) Lara Flynn Boyle.			Pavlo Mediterranean Nights	The Millionaire Matchmaker	ET Canada	
	620	523	40	BVO	Ahead of the Curve	Bulging Brides	Bulging Brides	Bulging Brides	Cities of the Underworld	Danny Bhoj: Subject	Daily Show	
	601	562	41	SLC	Rich Bride Poor Bride	Aftermath (HDTV) (N)	Corner Gas	Name Is Earl	The Simpsons	South Park	House Hunters	
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cable variety	576	582	49	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	Truth Hall (2008, Drama) Jade-Jenise Dixon.	Star Trek: Voyager	Darklight *** (2004, Horror) Shini Appleby. (DVS)	My Life as Liz	After	MTV Live	
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	603	561	56	FOOD	Ricardo	David Rocco	Best Thing	At the Table	Top Chef Masters	Pitchin' In	Glutton	
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	553	546	65	TVE	Backyardigans	Night Garden	Waybuloo	Toopy & Binoo	Franklin	Dino	Medium "Raising Cain"	
	526	507	249	VIVA	Cold Case "Pin Up Girl"	Missing "So Shall Ye Reap"	Medium "Raising Cain"	Medium "Raising Cain"	Spartacus: Blood and Sand (N)	Nurse Jackie	U.S. of Tara	
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cable variety	305	612	306	PX	Badlands	(7:20) Partners in Action (2002, Action)	MythBusters	Dirty Jobs (N)	Motor City Motors (N)	Motor City Motors (N)	Motor City Motors (N)	
	520	146	-	DISC	Daily Planet (N)	Red Green	Fantasy Island	Hart to Hart	Andy Griffith	Phil Silvers	Bizarre	
	637	-	-	TVLND	Red Green	Red Green	Fantasy Island	Hart to Hart	Andy Griffith	Phil Silvers	Bizarre	
cable variety	605	-	-	FASH	First Class All the Way	FashionTele	RAW	FT Found Footage	FashionTelevision: Fashion	1st Class Way		

Glover arrested at protest

Lethal Weapon star Danny Glover was taken into police custody Friday during a labour protest at a Maryland food service company's headquarters. Glover, 63, and 11 others were arrested and charged with trespassing, usmagazine.com reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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No more Charlie?

TWO-FOR-ONE REHAB STINTS, ABUSE CHARGES, MISTRESSES ... YEAH, ROCK BOTTOM HAS BEEN HIT Brooke Mueller has reportedly had enough and is moving out of the Beverly Hills home she shares with Charlie Sheen, according to Star magazine.

"Brooke had been determined to try and keep their marriage together, if for nothing else than the sake of their children," a source says.

But that all changed, according to the

source, after reports of Sheen cheating came to light last week.

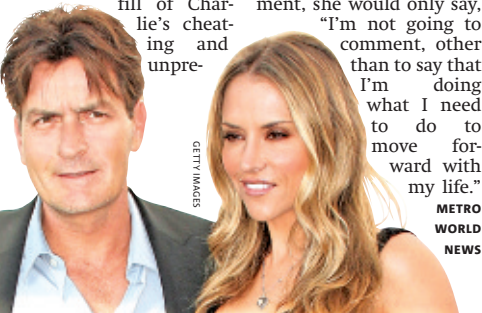
"She's had her fill of Charlie's cheating and unpre-

dictability," the source says.

When the magazine contacted Mueller for comment, she would only say,

"I'm not going to comment, other than to say that I'm doing what I need to do to move forward with my life."

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Swift bowling balls

I WANT TO HATE TAYLOR, ESPECIALLY NOW THAT SHE'S STOLEN MY FUTURE HUSBAND, BUT I JUST CAN'T She may be county music's sweetheart, but Taylor Swift is one tough cookie when she hits the lanes, says Glee star Cory Monteith, people.com reports.

Monteith and the singer met up recently at a group-bowling

outing in L.A., and he says she "kicked my ass."

"I'm not gonna deny this. I was just an uncoordinated mess that day and I couldn't put the ball into the pins. I couldn't do it. It was bad," Monteith tells CMT Radio Live's Cody Alan. "She just brought the A-game. And I brought the B-game."

Despite

the alley-whoopin', Monteith calls Swift "a great friend of mine,"

when prodded on whether he thinks the singer is a "10," he laughed and said simply, "She's pretty fantastic."

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Play nice, princess ...

NOW, THIS TAYLOR I TRY TO LIKE BUT JUST CAN'T Taylor Momsen doesn't have a lot of nice things to say about her Gossip Girl co-stars, telling Entertainment Weekly that the atmosphere on set isn't terribly chummy.

"We're all cor-

dial and nice to each other, but we're not really friends outside of the set," the 16-year-old actress says.

Momsen, who is releasing an album with her punk

band the Pretty Reckless next month, also wants to distance herself from co-star Leighton Meester, who's launching a music career herself.

"We're doing a different thing," Momsen says.

"She's putting out a pop record, which is awesome."

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Pink is not pregnant

BUT SHE'S POKING FUN Pop star Pink has poked fun at rumours she's expecting her first child with husband Carey Hart by joking about having a "600 pound baby," reports femalefirst.co.uk.

The So What hit-maker, real name Alecia Moore, sparked reports she was pregnant after she was snapped with a slight tummy bump earlier this week.

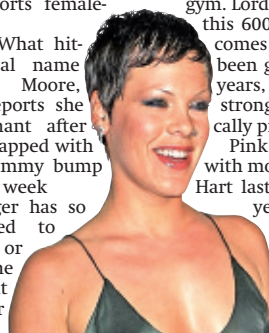
The singer has so far refused to confirm or deny the claims, but took to her

Twitter.com blog last Thursday to suggest the renewed baby speculation is just the latest in a long-running joke.

She wrote, "Off to the gym. Lord knows when this 600 pound baby comes out that I've been growing for 8 years, I better be strong and physically prepared!!!"

Pink reunited with motocross racer Hart last year after a year of estrangement. They wed in 2006.

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His girlfriend gets a ride

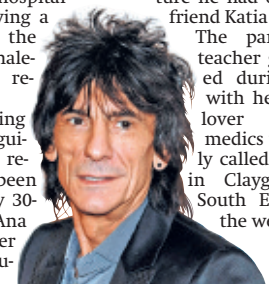
TO THE HOSPITAL Ronnie Wood's girlfriend was allegedly hospitalized following a row with the rocker, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Rolling Stones guitarist has reportedly been dumped by 30-year-old Ana Araujo after the argu-

ment, which saw her fly into a jealous rage over a picture he had of his ex-girlfriend Katia Ivanova.

The part-time polo teacher got so agitated during the row with her 62-year-old lover that paramedics were allegedly called to his home in Claygate, Surrey, South East England, the website adds.

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Doug is out the Parisian door

WONDER IF IT'S A REVOLVING DOOR? It looks like all the breakup rumours about Paris Hilton and Doug Reinhardt were true.

"The relationship between Paris and Doug is over. She broke up with him more than two weeks ago," her rep confirms to People magazine.

Hilton herself has been mum on the topic, but did take to Twit-

ter to discount rumours she'd been carousing with Kim Kardashian's ex-boyfriend, Reggie Bush.

"Aside from being at the same club, Reggie and I didn't even say 'hi' to each other," she posted.

"I was there with my sister and friends."

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JESSICA SIMPSON

has a new admirer,

CONAN O'BRIEN hits another milestone, and **JIM CARREY** is full of opinions.

@JessicaSimpson My godson talks in full sentences now.

He just said, "I'm going to build a building 4 u jessica." Most romantic thing a man could say to me!

@ConanOBrien I'm performing at the River Cree Casino just before Don Rickles. My comedy life is now complete.

@JimCarrey I love penguins! Can't be sad around 'em!

Ferrets are fun 4 a min but then it's like, dude, take a breath! Still on the fence about rabbits!

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Lindsay Lovelace?

REACH FOR THE (PORN) STARS,

LINDSAY Lindsay Lohan is excited about getting back to work, telling pals that she's set to star as Linda Lovelace about the former porn star who went on to become an activist, according to Page Six. The only problem is that the folks behind the film haven't signed Lohan up for the project.

"Definitely not true for our project, which is Lovelace," co-director Rob Epstein says. "We can't speak for any other project out there unrelated to our team."

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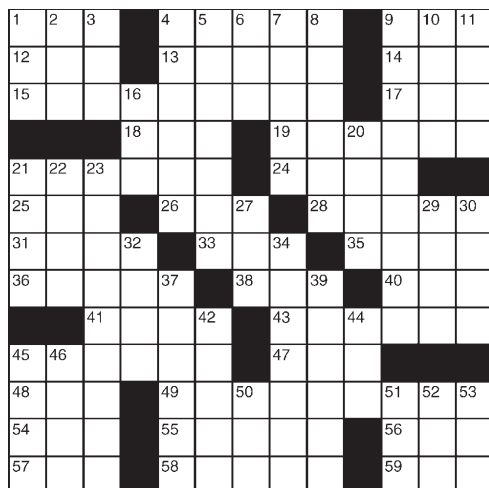
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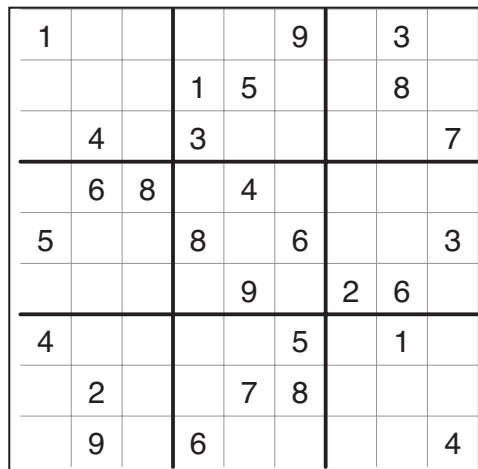
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11 Lima, for one
16 Parcel of land
20 Ids' counterparts
21 Steerer's place
22 Hodgepodge
23 See 9-Down
27 First name of 49-Across
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30 Mast
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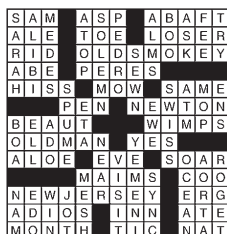
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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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Metro Recipe of the Day



Cornish Meat Pies

INGREDIENTS:

500 g boneless beef round steak, trimmed and cut into 1/4-inch pieces
1 medium potato, peeled and chopped
1 cup chopped peeled turnip
1/2 cup chopped yellow onion
2 tbsp minced parsley
1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
1 clove garlic, minced
1 tsp dried basil leaves
1/4 tsp salt
1/8 tsp cayenne pepper
2 store-bought or homemade unbaked pie crusts

METHOD:

1. Preheat oven to 375°F (190°C). In medium-size bowl, combine meat, potato, turnip, onion, parsley,

Worcestershire sauce, garlic, basil, salt and cayenne pepper.

2. Place half of meat mixture on half of 1 pie crust, then fold crust over filling and crimp to seal edge. Repeat with remaining crust and remaining meat mixture. Cut slits in top of pasties. Brush with milk.

3. Place on large ungreased baking sheet. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until golden brown. Cut each into 3 wedges and serve with ketchup or pizza sauce.

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20



Ignore what others say cannot be done. If you believe in your own abilities you can do anything you please. Push yourself hard over the next 24 hours.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23



You may have strong opinions on certain topics but before you get involved in a social argument you would be wise to check your facts.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



Try to measure what you achieve today in terms of what you have learned rather than what you have gained financially or professionally.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



You will be in one of your impulsive moods as the new week gets under way and there is every chance that you will do something outrageous.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



Some people may be difficult to deal with as the new week begins but if you show you mean business right from the start they will come round.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



If you value your independence you must make an effort to defend your interests. You are not the type to take orders for long.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



Your task for the coming week is to look ahead and start planning all the wonderful things you are going to do with your life.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



Venus, planet of relationships, remains in your fellow Earth sign of Taurus only until the end of this week, so make the most of it.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



If your instincts tell you to avoid some kind of get-rich-quick scheme you would be wise to listen to them.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



You must not give other people the impression that you can be easily influenced or manipulated.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



There are changes in the air and a number of things you have grown used to over the years are about to be taken away from you or transformed.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20



A friend's words may be jumbled and hard to make sense of but according to the planets they have an important message for you.

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1770: Marie Antoinette marries Louis XVI by Proxy marriage.
1927: Mae West is sentenced to 10 days in jail for obscenity for her play Sex.
1928: The 125th and final fascicle of the Oxford English Dictionary is published.
1943: Second World War: In Poland, German troops enter the Warsaw ghetto to round up the remaining Jews, beginning the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.
1971: Launch of Salyut 1, the first space station.
1987: The Simpsons premieres as a short cartoon on The Tracey Ullman Show

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